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Juanita Lake Group Campsite Is Now Available For Reservations

(Macdoel, CA) – With warmer weather approaching, many visitors are starting to plan for outdoor activities in their National Forests. Visitors can now reserve Juanita Lake Group Campsite, a popular camping area in Butte Valley, thanks to its addition to the National Recreation Reservation Service.

Located approximately 3 miles west of highway 97 south of Macdoel, Juanita Lake Group Campsite can accommodate up to 50 campers. Juanita Lake provides ample opportunities for wildlife viewing, fishing, non-motorized boating, swimming, and hiking, with a 1.5 mile accessible loop trail around the lake or a nearby 6 mile hike to Ball Mountain Lookout. Juanita Lake Campground is adjacent to the Group Campsite and offers 23 tent camping sites available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Many amenities at Juanita Lake Campground, the Day Use Site and Group Campsite including a paved boat launch, dock, and fish cleaning station (available during the summer months) were updated and improved in 2010.

Visitors can reserve the Group Campsite up to 1 year in advance and as late as 2 days prior to arrival. The camping fee is \$50 per night. There is also a non-refundable convenience fee for using the reservation system. This fee is \$10.00 for phone reservations and \$9.00 for web reservations. Reservations can be made online at www.recreation.gov or by calling the toll free number 1-877-444-6777.

Other reservable camping opportunities in the Klamath National Forest include Tree of Heaven Campground, Sarah Totten Campground Group Campsites and Curly Jack Campground Group Campsites on the Happy Camp / Oak Knoll Ranger District, and Indian Scotty Group Campsite and Carter Meadows Horse Group Campsite on the Salmon / Scott River Ranger District. Most of these sites will be open by Memorial Day with the exception of Carter Meadows Horse Group Campsite, which typically opens in mid-June due to the elevation of the site.

The Klamath National Forest combines appropriated funds with recreation fees to help maintain amenities and provide services at recreation sites across the Forest. The majority of funds collected at fee campsites remain on the Forest to operate, maintain and improve facilities and programs at the sites where fees are collected.

For more information call the Goosenest Ranger District at (530)398-4391 or visit the Klamath National Forest website at www.fs.usda.gov/klamath.

(See photos below)



The entrance for Juanita Lake Group Campsite is located on Forest Road 46N04, approximately 3 miles off of Highway 97 south of Macdoel, CA



Picnic tables, grills and lantern hangers are just a few of the amenities provided at the Group Campsite along the shores of Juanita Lake. Other amenities include potable water, a large campfire ring, bear-proof trash cans and vault toilets.

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